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Customer No.: 33717

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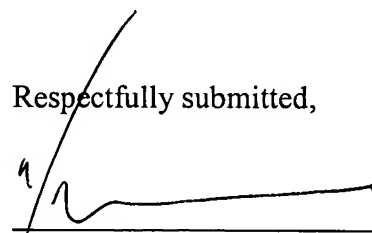
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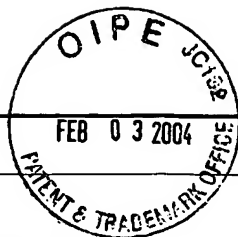
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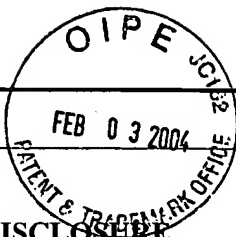
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	4,542,774	09/24/1985	Stavlo			
	5,107,906	04/28/1992	Swenson			
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